



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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May 17, 2011

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

# ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

37 May 17, 2011

*Sachi A. Hamai*  
SACHI A. HAMAI  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

### **SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT PARATRANSIT PROGRAM FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-12 (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2) (3 VOTES)**

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to approve funding for the Paratransit Program for Fiscal Year 2011-12 in the Second Supervisorial District and to authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to negotiate and execute agreements to provide paratransit services.

#### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Find that the proposed Paratransit Program is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Approve the continuation of paratransit services for eligible patrons in the County of Los Angeles unincorporated communities of the Second Supervisorial District for Fiscal Year 2011-12 at an estimated cost of \$545,500. The Second Supervisorial District's Paratransit Program includes the following service areas: Alondra Park/Del Aire; Ladera Heights/Windsor Hills; Lennox; Rancho Los Amigos; West Carson; and Willowbrook, et al.
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to negotiate and execute the following agreements for paratransit services in the Second Supervisorial District with the costs and terms as indicated: the Ladera Heights/Windsor Hills Paratransit Service provided by the City of Culver City at a cost to the Second Supervisorial District of \$18,000 for Fiscal Year 2011-12 (County of Los Angeles' total cost for paratransit services in the Second Supervisorial District under this 3-year agreement is \$54,000); and the West Carson Paratransit Service provided by the City of Los Angeles at a cost to the Second Supervisorial District of \$18,000 for Fiscal Year 2011-12 (County of Los Angeles' total cost for paratransit services in the Second Supervisorial District under this 3-year agreement is \$54,000).

Angeles at a cost to the Second Supervisorial District of \$110,000 for Fiscal Year 2011-12 (County of Los Angeles' total cost for paratransit services in Supervisorial Districts 2, 3, 4, and 5 under this proposed 3-year agreement is \$600,000).

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended action is to approve the continuation of paratransit services for eligible patrons of the County of Los Angeles (County) unincorporated communities of the Second Supervisorial District and to authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to negotiate and enter into new paratransit agreements with the City of Culver City and the City of Los Angeles for the provision of services.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3) by providing services to the public in a responsive manner. These services improve the mobility of transit-dependent patrons.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

This action authorizes the disbursement of \$545,500 for the continuation of paratransit services for eligible patrons in the County unincorporated communities of the Second Supervisorial District for Fiscal Year 2011-12. This Paratransit Program contains agreements with multiple-year terms. This action only authorizes the Fiscal Year 2011-12 program costs incurred under these agreements. The future costs under these agreements will be submitted for your approval as part of future fiscal years' paratransit programs. Each agreement includes a 30-day, no fault clause for termination.

Two existing agreements will expire on June 30, 2011. This action authorizes the Director of Public Works or her designee to negotiate and enter into new multiple-year agreements to continue these services for a combined Second Supervisorial District Fiscal Year 2011-12 expenditure of \$128,000. The two agreements are for the following paratransit services: the Ladera Heights/Windsor Hills Paratransit Service provided by the City of Culver City at a cost to the Second Supervisorial District of \$18,000; and the West Carson Paratransit Service provided by the City of Los Angeles at a cost to the Second Supervisorial District of \$110,000.

Three paratransit services will operate under current, previously executed agreements: the Alondra Park/Del Aire Paratransit Service; the Lennox Paratransit Service; and the Rancho Los Amigos Paratransit Service for a combined Second Supervisorial District Fiscal Year 2011-12 disbursement of \$170,000.

The Willowbrook, et al., Paratransit Agreement, which includes the County unincorporated communities of Athens, Florence-Firestone-Walnut Park, Rancho Dominguez, and Rosewood-Willowbrook, will expire on June 30, 2011. The Willowbrook, et al., Paratransit Service will be awarded through a competitive selection process with an estimated Second Supervisorial District annual cost of \$247,500. We will submit this contract for your approval under a separate Board action.

The Recommended Fiscal Year 2011-12 Paratransit Program Budget for the Second Supervisorial District totals \$545,500, which includes new service agreements authorized by this Board action for \$128,000, the previously executed service agreements for \$170,000, and the award of a new competitive selection contract at an estimated cost of \$247,500. The enclosure lists these services with providers, terms, and the Second Supervisorial District's Fiscal Year 2011-12 budget amounts.

The necessary funds are available in the Second Supervisorial District's Proposition A Local Return Transit Program included in the Recommended Fiscal Year 2011-12 Transit Enterprise Fund Budget.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

On January 4, 1983, your Board directed that funds for paratransit services should be provided from each supervisorial district's allocation of the County's Proposition A Local Return Transit Program at the discretion of each supervisor. In Fiscal Year 1983-84 and in subsequent fiscal years, your Board approved paratransit services providing transportation opportunities for eligible patrons of the unincorporated County communities. Paratransit, also known as dial-a-ride, generally refers to curb-to-curb, demand response transit services in which the patron calls to reserve a ride. This type of service is typically available to elderly and disabled persons. In some areas, it is also available to the general public.

The agreements for the paratransit services are in compliance with the mandatory jury service requirements as set forth in the Los Angeles County Code, Chapters 2.203.010 through 2.203.090, Jury Service Program. The agreements are approved as to form by County Counsel prior to execution.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed activity is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 21080(b)(10) of the Public Resources Code. This exemption provides for the implementation of passenger or commuter transit services.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The paratransit services for eligible patrons of the County unincorporated communities are provided primarily through participation in joint paratransit services with cities and other governmental agencies adjacent to the unincorporated County communities and less frequently through contracts the County enters into with private (for-profit or nonprofit) transportation service providers.

Through participation in joint paratransit services, the County benefits by a lower service cost due to economies of scale, better service to residents because of service coordination, and subsidies provided through grants, when available, from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Grant Program (Incentive Grant Program). The Incentive Grant Program provides financial assistance to agencies that coordinate paratransit services across jurisdictional boundaries.

Most of the cities and other governmental agencies that allow the County to partner with them contract with private transportation service providers through a competitive selection and procurement process. The County's share of the cost of the service is proportionately based on the number of unincorporated County residents who use the service. When the County contracts

directly with a transportation service provider, a competitive procurement process is used.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This action provides for the continuation of the current services. The approval of this action will not result in the displacement of any County employees.

**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Programs Development Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER  
Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office

**SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2  
PARATRANSIT SERVICES  
FISCAL YEAR 2011-12**

SERVICE AGREEMENTS (NEWLY NEGOTIATED)	PROVIDER	MULTIPLE YEAR TERMS	AGREEMENT EXPIRATION	2011-12 BUDGET AMOUNT (1)	2012-13 BUDGET AMOUNT	2013-14 BUDGET AMOUNT
Ladera Heights/Windsor Hills	City of Culver City (2)	3-YEAR	06/30/14	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$18,000
West Carson	City of Los Angeles' Cityride (2)	3-YEAR	06/30/14	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$110,000
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				<b>\$128,000</b>	<b>\$128,000</b>	<b>\$128,000</b>

SERVICE AGREEMENTS (EXECUTED IN PRIOR YEARS)						
Alondra Park/Del Aire	City of Gardena (2)	3-YEAR	06/30/12	\$40,000		
Lennox	City of Inglewood (2)	4-YEAR	06/30/14	\$96,000	\$98,000	\$100,000
Rancho Los Amigos (All Districts)	Los Amigos Research and Education Institute, Inc. (2)	2-YEAR	06/30/12	\$34,000		
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				<b>\$170,000</b>	<b>\$98,000</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (4)						
Willowbrook, et al. (with SD 1)	To be determined	3-YEAR + 2 (1-YR) options	06/30/16	\$247,500	\$247,500	\$247,500
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				<b>\$247,500</b>	<b>\$247,500</b>	<b>\$247,500</b>

<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>				<b>\$545,500</b>	<b>\$473,500</b>	<b>\$475,500</b>
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**NOTE:**

- (1) This action only approves the Fiscal Year 2011-12 budget amounts
- (2) City, Joint Powers Authority, or Governmental Agency
- (3) Private Transit Service Provider
- (4) To be awarded through competitive selection process under separate Board action